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DEPT FOR SCA/RA ATTN: JOSEPH BRENNIG

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SUBJECT: LEAHY VETTING FOR THE FLASH BUFFALO 09-2 BILATERAL MILITARY EXERCISE, 12 OCTOBER - 11 NOVEMBER 2009.

- 11. This is an action request. See para three.
- 12. The following unit has been selected for participation in the Flash Buffalo 09-2 bilateral military training exercise held in Chittagong, Bangladesh, which will begin on or about 12 October 11 November 2009. Post vetting was completed on 14 May 2009. Post requests that vetting be completed by 1 June 2009 to provide sufficient time for processing. Post requests the department conduct Leahy vetting for the following unit:
- 11. Name: M Mahbubur Rahman Rank: Lieutenant Commander Unit: BNS ISSA Khan

Unit Location: Chittagong, Bangladesh

Personal Number: 1304 Date of Birth: 19771027

Place of Birth: Patuakhali, Bangladesh

- ¶3. Post requests that the Department of State authorize post to make the following statement to the relevant DOD units: "Embassy verifies that the Department of State possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the above named individual or unit."
- $\underline{\P}4.$ Post Human Rights Officer is David Arulanantham, unclass e-mail:arulananthamdp@state.gov.
- 15. COMMENT: Embassy has no information to indicate these individuals or any units they have served in have been involved in gross violations of human rights.

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